GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:283
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Free Coaching for SC and OBC Students
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Central Sector Scheme for providing free coaching to SC and OBC students along with the quantum of financial assistance extended to them;

(b) whether the Government proposes to enhance the ceiling of financial assistance under the Central Scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has empanelled reputed coaching institutes for providing quality coaching to such students in the States and if so, the details of the empanelled institutes, State-wise;

(d) the funds provided to such institutions/centres along with the number of students enrolled therein during the last three years and the current year, institute and State-wise; and

(e) the number of successful students from such institutes?

Answer

MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI THAAWAR CHAND GEHLOT)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Part (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.283 for 06.12.2016 regarding 'Free Coaching for SC and OBC Students'

(a) The Free Coaching Scheme for SC and OBC Students has been revised in the year 2016. Government of India funds the entire expenditure of coaching provided to selected SC and OBC candidates as per scheme guidelines. Details of the Scheme are at Annexure-I.

(b) In the revised scheme the complete course fee is reimbursed. The stipend rates have been raised from Rs. 1500/- to Rs. 2500/- for local students and from Rs. 3000/- to Rs. 5000/- per month for outstation students. An additional provision of Rs. 2000/- per month has also been made for students with disabilities.

(c) 39 institutes in 18 States have been selected for empanelment based on the State Governments recommendations and Institutes response. A list of these institutes is at Annexure-II.

(d) The institutes under the revised scheme have recently been empanelled. However, the details of funds provided and number of students enrolled in coaching institutes during last three years and current year, as per the previous scheme is at Annexure-III.

(e) Details of successful students under the old Scheme is not maintained by the Ministry. However, under the revised Scheme, coaching institutes have to provide details of successful students who have been coached by them.